

State Senator TOM COLAPIETRO'S Guide to **Home Heating Assistance & Energy Conservation** 

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worked hard with my colleagues in the Senate to pass legislation in 2008 that can help families of all income levels pay their heating bills this winter. Expanded benefits now include direct cash assistance, free deliveries of home heating oil and rebates for replacing outdated furnaces with more efficient models.

### INFORMATION ONLINE

One-stop source for home heating assistance and energy links in English and Spanish:

www.senatedems.ct.gov/Energy



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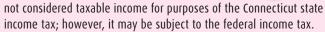
# HELP WITH YOUR HEATING BILL

The Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) and the Contingency Heating Assistance Program (CHAP) help offset the costs of winter heating and pay for weatherization services. For income eligibility and benefit levels, contact the Department of Social Services (DSS) at 1-800-842-1132 or contact Infoline at 211.



### **FURNACE UPGRADES**

The Boiler and Furnace Replacement/
Upgrade Rebate Program provides up to
\$500 toward a more energy-efficient boiler
or furnace replacement or upgrade. Contact
the Office of Policy and Management at
1-866-940-4676 for an application, income
eligibility guidelines and more information.
Please be advised that the furnace rebate is



Connecticut Housing Investment Fund's (CHIF) **Energy Conservation Loan Program** provides low or no-interest, long-term loans for energyefficient upgrades including furnaces and boilers, thermal windows and doors, insulation, hot water heaters and replacement roofs.
Contact CHIF at **860-233-5165 ext. 2019** or **2023** or visit **www.chif.org** for more details.



# FOR CL&P CUSTOMERS

The Weatherization Residential Assistance Partnership (WRAP) helps income-eligible customers

reduce their energy bills by making their homes more

balances. Call 1-800-286-2828 for information.

energy-efficient. Call **1-800-388-9727** for information.

The **Matching Payment Program** provides year-round electric service and possible forgiveness of back balances to

low-income electric heating customers who have past-due

The **NUSTART** program helps customers reduce or eliminate their past-due balance if they pay an agreed-upon budgeted amount on time each month. Call CL&P at **1-800-286-2828**.

**Home Energy Solutions** energy audits are available to all households, whether you heat with oil, natural gas, propane or electricity. Call **1-877-947-3873** for information.

### **STATE SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS**

Connecticut provides sales tax exemptions for energy-efficient products including:

Insulation • Caulking • Doors • Compact fluorescent light bulbs Furnaces • Geothermal heat pumps • Programmable thermostats Room air conditioners • Water heaters • Windows









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